

# WHAT WELL DRESSED WOMEN WILLWEAR



# Interesting Dress Accessories of Ancient Lineage

NEW YORK, July 3, 1915. grandmothers, who were rather sticklers for the proprieties, used to say that a lady is known by her shoes and her gloves. Of course, that was just another way of emphasizing the importance of the accessories of dress

The ensemble is made up of details and if these are not right the whole effect will be spoiled. All parts of dress, hat, gown, shees and stockings scale to produce a harmonious whole A cheap hat on top of an expensiv vn fares as badly as the reverse-a creation of millinery luxury with a sim thin gown detracts from the charm which lies in the idea of fragility it is

Fashions change in accessories, a every other part of feminine attire and thin slippers with a street gown are no longer surprising to any one because custom has sanctioned their was not so very long ago that we used to laugh at Englishwomen for wearing slippers in the street, little thinking that we should come to it

The smartest foot dressing for the in this season of extravagant styles in footwear consists of plain black silk stockings and still plainer patent leather slippers, which depend upon good cut and fine workmanship, and not on elaboration of trimming, for their beauty. In like man ming, for their beauty. In like manner cotton gloves used to be a sort of symbol of the reduction of personal expenses to the vanishing point, until recently, when, under the name of "fabric gloves," they became too convenient to be ignored, and were adopted for shopping even by women who had never stopped to consider their pennies. In this country we have made great strides in this matter of keeping the details of our costumes in harmony since the days when American women used to wear their diamond earrings down to breakfast. Even Rudyard Kipling commented upon this solecism among his rather stringent criticisms of some of our manners and customs. He would find us greatly changed for the better in many respects today. We learn quickly and we do not need, as a rule, to be told a thing twice.

My own opinion is that care in choosing the accessories of dress so that they will agree with one another extends farther down the social scale in this country than in any other. Some innate sense of the harmonious is being developed in us in matters of formal attire, as in house-furnishing. The ordinary, everyday family home is better and more appropriately

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so being developed in us in matters of formal attire, as in house-furnishing. The ordinary, everyday family home is better and more appropriately furnished in America nowadays than a Perhaps good taste is the reason of this, perhaps it is that certain bidablemens and tellableness of the American woman of the middle class, who is above all things, anxious to learn the best usage in such matters. At any rounders are not other land where the best usage in such matters. At any rounders are not other land where they to be found only in the homes of the wealthy are extended so widely to those of the less well provided with worldy goods. Workmen's homes here have luxuries of appointment which only the right can boast in Europe.

Furnace heating and bathrooms, for example, are commonplaces with us in circles which hardly know of the existence of such things abroad. Even in England, which led the world in the conveniences of life for years until America distanced her. I have stayed at an elaborate Georgian place in the country, which required nineteen men and maid servants to keep it in order, but which did not boast a single bathroom. To be sure, it was built before the days of plumbing and had walls and would certainly have been impossible to find a tenant in this country for a lower class of the sure of this, very memes of American ideas of American in the tarual that the differences in the any indicate the witer of American in the order of American in the life she indi

days of plumbing and had walls and floors of enormous thickness, but it would certainly have been impossible to find a tenant in this country for a house so illiprovided.

The greater fluidity of our social relationships, the rapid, not to say startling changes in our social fabric, are perhaps responsible for the greater uniformity of customs among us. The

broidery and other jewels besides.

But even the Virgin Queen with all her extravagance preserved with the greatest solicitude the silk stockings from France with which one of her many admirers pleased her so inordinately. They were the first pair seen in England and are still exhibited in a glass case at Hatfield House, along with a "linjerie hat" of hers of a sort of madeira work, now brown with age.

The stockings are olive breen open work, with solid green tops of a sort

work, with solid green tops of a sort of taffeta, and the foot is so extremely short that, if they really fitted her, she had reason to be proud of her small feet. There are certainly not many American women today who make any pretense of d essing at all who own just one pair of silk stock-

Summer clothes seem all to be designed especially for the woman who goes away. Summer hats, parasols, frocks and footgear seem made especially for seashore and ocean skies, country clubs and garden parties, and the woman who must stay in the city, must toil in the office through July and August or stay steadfastly at home to keep open the town house for her toiling husband, doesn't seem to figure in the imagination of the dressmaker in the imagination of the dressmaker who designs summer apparel for women.

All our clothes are holiday clothes, anyway, nowadays. Our grandmothers anyway, nowadays. Our grandmothers would have been horrified at the filmy daintiness of the clothes we wearnone of which seems to be built for the practical things of life.

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dress that our mothers were has no counterpart in the present-day feminine wardrobe, at least in this country. The housewife who keeps no maid wears silks and satins every day, and the stenographer goes to work in chiffon blouses. And in the summer time the neck, leaving the front bare. So we are all clad for a holiday. It is they are comfortable, even on very much easier to plan a seashore or mountain wardrobe than one for stay-ing at home. But here are a few sug-gestions.

The white pique skirt is one of the best investments for the woman who works in the summer. It is trim, businesslike, substantial, cool, durable and easily laundered. Last year the tight skirt models did not adapt themselves well to the white wash skirt. If they shrank at all they were painfully tight at the back. But this year's semi-circular model that fits tight at the waist and starts to spring an inch or so above the hips presents no such objection.

Of all white wash materials the white pique, preferably with the fine wale, is the most satisfactory, and the best models show a use of detachable pearl buttons, which can be removed for laundering. A white skirt that is not built primarily for the tub has little excuse for existing, so simple stitching, detachable buttons and firm sewing are all commendable in this sort of skirt. In lieu of the pure white skirt the one disadvantage of turning cream presenting many of the attractions of The white pique skirt is one of the

No accessory adds so much to the trimness of the street costume in the city as the little malines or tulle neck them extend only around the back of warm days. For the brunette this ruff is immensely becoming in dark brown malines even when it is worn with a navy blue or black costume. A chic touch to these ruffs is the artificial

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there are rules and regulations now ter than equal parts of linseed oil and lime water. This makes the "carron works at neighbors' doors at dawn of day. Patriotism is still rampant, and patriotism with small young America is in every closet where household reme-

Potatoes Baked in Ashes.

example. He probably thought he was introducing a novelty, but, dear me, there really is nothing new under the sum, and this proverb is never truer than when it is applied to clothes.

The description of the costume of the Cretan ladies of 1500 B.C. reads astonishingly like a modern fashion article dated 1915. Listen to this from an authority: "Frescoes and falence statuettes from Knossos exhibit an elaborate, fight-fitting bedice, laced in front into a small waist, with short sleeves, sometimes puffed, and a very low, open neck. The waist was confined by a broad belt. Fashion favored bell-shaped skirts, the style of which is varied by plaited ruffles and straight bands, or by diagonal flounces and bands, while often the skirt is flounced from top to bottom with ruffles of varying widths and colors."

One might really imagine that instead of seeking inspiration in the fashions of 1860 A. D. the designers had gone back to those of 1500 B. C.

But to return to parasols, as any one who has seen the new ones de-signed for this summer would be glad to do. Never, not even in their early oriental days of stately pageantry, have they been so alluring. oriental race, the Japanese, has given us one of the most charming shapes for sunshades, and this year it is eproduced for us in the prettiest ma-In a striped year, many striped parasols, of course, are seen, often in black and white, which the

While everything under the sun is made of cretonne, it is natural that this material should not be selected for sunshades. Some of the prettiest are in the Japanese, so-called Chin-Chin shape, of printed linen or pongee, with long camphor-wood handles. One of yellow tussore had a small eastern design of ovals of tan and clear green. Each rib was tipped with a Chinese jade bead, and a jade ball was poised on the top of the slender handle. Another of the same flat, many-ribbed shape was of pale cream silk and all around the center point was a cluster of yellow cherries on green silk stems of various lengths, while another bunch degorated the While everything under the sun is

while another bunch degorated the handle.
Besides the oriental shape the deep tulip-shaped bell is shown as a contrast in dark, rich colors or in the season's latest fancy—white net. A dome-shaped specimen was made of finely shirred white net and all around the edge ran a patriotic combination of a blue moire ribbon with a line of red beads on each side of it.

With your flounced 1860 gowns you may carry an 1860 parasol, small in size, of conventional shape, with green silk fringe dripping from its edge. Or you may choose a pink taffeta affair with its points connected by a garland of pink rosebuds, or another of white shirred silk with loops of black jet beads. If you like ruffles, you will find sunshades made up of rows and rows of them, sometimes of taffeta, sometimes of satin ribbon or of frills of lace on a net or silk foundation. Occasionally the shape is varied by turning back the points all around like a rolled over lip and tipping each one with a bead.

# **Dressy Waists.**

THE dressy waist, which takes more the form of a dress bodice, is made to match the skirt. Sometimes these vaists are touched up with a contrasting color. White is frequently used in the collars, cuffs, vests, buttons and other trimmings. White is especially used on navy blue and black. A chemise blouse of filet net and lace

in the natural color has a skirt part of black chiffon. The blouse belts slightly below the normal waistline, but the effect of a lower line is given by the continuation of the lace below the ribbelt. Stitched to the tail of the blouse has no other opening than that at the neck and slips on over the head. at the neck and slips on over the head.
It is of the almost shapeless kimono cut, but the long sleeves are fitted snugly to the arms from half-way below the elbow to the wrist, where they are almost skin tight. The collar and inside vest are of flesh-colored mousseline de soie. This transparent bodice is worn over a guimpe bodice of flesh-

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A dressy blouse is in a combination
of black chiffon and black velvet ribbon, the latter forming the lower third
of the blouse and the cuff bands. Embroidery in oriental colors relieves the
sober tones of the materials.

An attractive linen blouse of lavender is trimmed with white linen. The
front panel of the waist buttons
straight up to the collar, forming one
continuous line. The sleeves are long,
with cuffs trimmed with the buttons.

A blouse made of the free silkajour, a
chiffon with drawn threads, is made in A blouse made of the new stranger, a chiffon with drawn threads, is made in military style. The vest and strap-pings are of white satin. The sleeves are full length, with extended cuffs which fall over the hands.

# Ways to Preserve Flowers.

THE first way is with sand, and it is extremely important that the sand be absolutely free from any foreign matter, and this state of perfection is brought about by repeated washings. Pour on water and the for-eign matter will rise to the surface, and then may be skimmed off. The sand should then be dried in the sun or in front of a fire. It should be fur-

the camp fire so that as they open the juice will not run out. As soon as they open, they are done.

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There are many charming and becoming adaptations of the suspender dress and they all afford ways of making over last season's dress.